

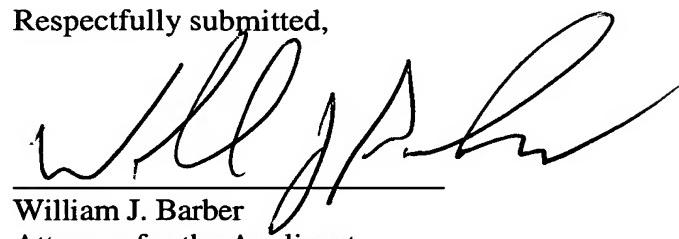
REMARKS

Claims 21-77 remain pending in the patent application.

The paragraph bridging pages 9-10 is amended to make clear that once the specific base has been attached to a bead it is dropped or placed in a device 842 which transports the beads back into the main bin 830 for resorting by the machine 832.

Reconsideration and early allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

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